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The Selectboard meeting was called to order at 12:00 PM in the Arcand Meeting Room by Chairman Michael Connor. Actively participating in the meeting were the following Board members: Mr. Connor, Mr. Sahin, Mr. Hennessy and Mrs. Odabashian. Also actively participating in the meeting were Interim Town Administrator Beth Cornell-Smith and Administrative Assistant Hilarie Allie. This meeting was accessible to the public either in-person, via the Zoom online option or ABMI Cable TV.

Mr. Connor explained that due to Open Meeting Laws the Board did not discuss the candidates with each other prior to this meeting. The Board went on to have a candid conversation and discussed the merits of each candidate. The full discussion can be found here:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GMAVFP\\_5vUc&t=1s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GMAVFP_5vUc&t=1s)

As a results of their conversation, the Board narrowed the candidate pool to Steven Sette and Timothy McInerney and asked Mr. John Petrin if each of those candidates would be available for a second interview as well as a one on one conversation with each Board member. Mr. Petrin stated he would set that up and agreed the next meeting would take place on Monday October 30<sup>th</sup>.

Discussion and Vote on Capital Items

Mr. Connor explained that the Board was not ready to vote on the capital items requests from the various departments.

Other Business

Mrs. Cornell-Smith stated the Conservation Commission would like the Board's approval in hiring Cliff Matthews as a consultant for an upcoming site walk. The site walk relates to the denial of an NOI issued by the Conservation Commission. The Board took no action on this request and suggested they obtain Town Counsel's advice.

On an Odabashian/Hennessy motion, the Board unanimously voted 4-0 to adjourn the meeting at 1:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Hilarie J. Allie  
Administrative Assistant